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Ecolab Expands UK Pest Elimination Business

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct 14, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab Inc. announced today that it has acquired the ISS pest elimination business in the UK. Sales of the acquired business are currently £4 million (approximately \$6 million). The business operations and staff will be integrated with Ecolab's existing UK Pest Elimination business. No further details were disclosed.

Douglas M. Baker, Jr., Ecolab's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer commented on the announcement, saying, "This acquisition will increase our United Kingdom Pest Elimination service capacity, add scale to our business and strengthen our customer relationships and opportunities. We welcome our new associates and customers to Ecolab, and we look forward to growing with them."

With sales of \$6 billion and more than 26,000 associates, Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) is the global leader in cleaning, sanitizing, food safety and infection prevention products and services. Ecolab delivers comprehensive programs and services to foodservice, food and beverage processing, healthcare, and hospitality markets in more than 160 countries. More news and information is available at www.ecolab.com.

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